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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from November 16 to December 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

Dixon Springs State Park

1902021 - This project will replace existing aluminum storm windows with vinyl double hung vinyl windows in three Barracks buildings. Project was submitted for review on 8-24-18.

Lincoln Tomb State Historic Site

1904794 – This project involves removal of 17 dead or dying trees at the site, with reseeding after work is completed. Project was submitted for review on 11-7-18.

Cache River State Natural Area

1904623 - This project involves culvert replacement at the Buttonland Swamp Water Control Structure. Project was submitted for review on 11-2-18.

· Grant's Home State Historic Site

1905209 - This project includes furnace replacement. Project was submitted for review on 11-19-18.

Embarras River Bottoms State Habitat Area

1904715 - This project involves habitat management activities including forest, aquatic and wetland habitats. Project was submitted for review on 1-5-18.

I&M Canal/Gebhard Woods State Park

1904431 - This project involves repairing the roof of the historic High Point Shelter. Project was submitted for review on 10-29-18.

Red Hills State Park

1905001 - This project involves tree planting. Project was submitted for review on 11-13-18.

· Cache River State Natural Area

1901179 - This project involves replacement and installation of interpretive signing at various trailheads and trails. Project was submitted for review on 8-3-18.

Hopper Branch Savanna Nature Preserve

1905409 - This project involves forestry mowing to improve herbaceous vegetation growth. Project was submitted for review on 11-27-18.

Rock Cut State Park

1905322 - This project involves replacing the roof on the site office building. Project was originally submitted for review on 11-21-18.

Market House-Galena

1905559- This project involves replacing an aged air conditioning unit for the restroom building. Project was submitted for review on 11-29-18

Tam O'Shanter

1305699- This project is a reauthorization of a CERP for removal of the Tam O'Shanter dam. Project was originally submitted for review on 10-29-12.

Tunnel Hill State Trail

1901177 - This project involves replacement and installation of new interpretive signs. Project was submitted for review on 8-3-18.

Mount Vernon Flood Hazard Mitigation

1903820 - This project involves providing financial assistance for purchasing 16 homes and a vacant parcel prone to flooding. Structures to be demolished and property to be returned to open space for public use. Project was submitted for review on 10-10-18.

Village of Tamms Flood Hazard Mitigation

1902025 - This project involves providing financial assistance for purchasing four houses and two vacant lots prone to flooding. Structures to be demolished and property to be returned to open space for public use. Project was submitted for review on 8-24-18.

Mason County Flood Hazard Mitigation

1902089 – This project involves providing financial assistance for purchasing twelve homes prone to flooding. Structures will be demolished, and property returned to open space for public use. Project was submitted for review on 8-28-18.

Silver Springs State Fish and Wildlife Area

1903924 - This project involves replacing the roof on the office building. Project was submitted for review on 10-15-18.

Long Branch Sand Prairie Nature Preserve

1905768 - This project involves construction of fire breaks to aid in prescribed burns. Project was submitted for review on 12-10-18.

Weldon Springs

1904024 – This project involves removal of invasive species on approximately 90 acres using a hydro-ax. Project was submitted for review on 10-18-18.

Chain O' Lakes State Park

1904302 – This project involves allowing two additional pasture areas for the horse stable. Project was submitted for review on 10/25/18.

Marshall State Fish and Wildlife Area

1903723 - This project involves repair work to the Duck Ranch pump station and install bank stabilization. Project was submitted for review on 10-5-18.

Kinkaid Lake Fish and Wildlife Area

1905652 -This project involves repairing the existing boat access area at the Paul Ice Recreational Area. Project was submitted for review on 12-4-18.

Clinton Lake State Recreation Area

1903294 – This project involves constructing five cabins on existing campsites within the Mascoutin Day Use Area. Project was submitted for review on 9-24-18.

Clinton Lake State Recreation Area

1609590 – This project involves silt removal from the Hurley rearing pond. Project was originally submitted for review on 4-14-16.

Questions and Comments

All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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